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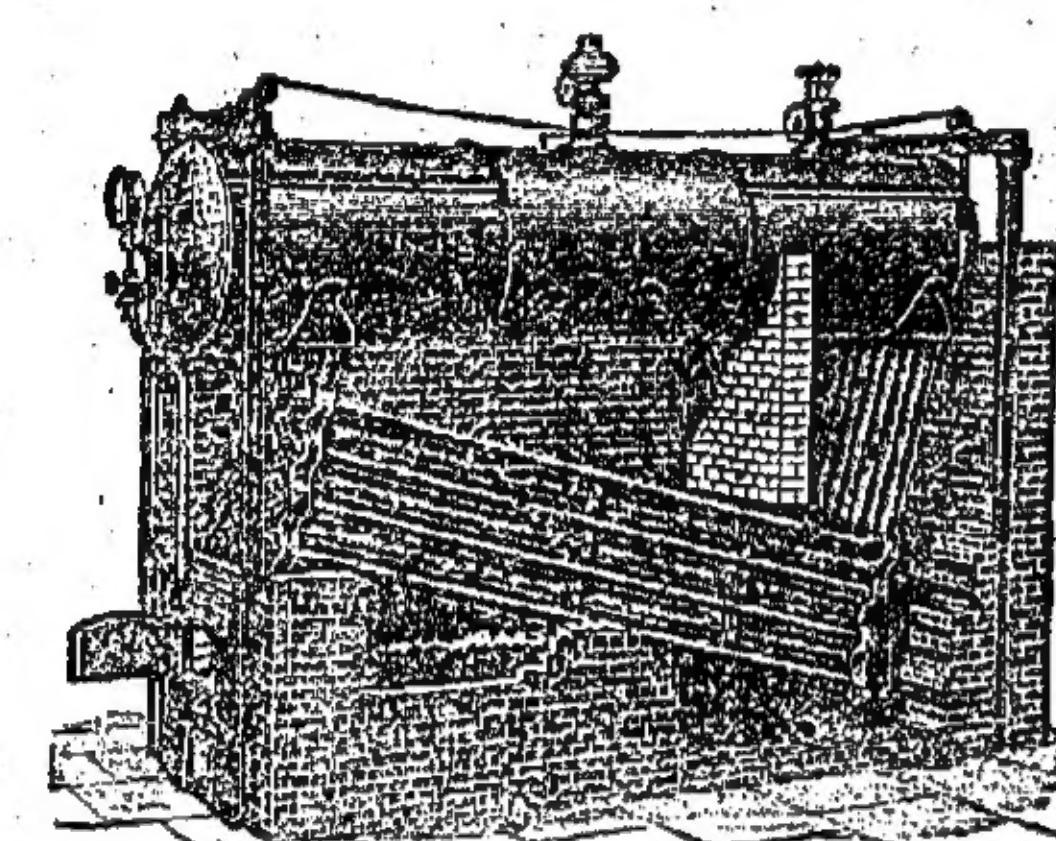
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is limited, there are only a few vacancies
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Hongkong, December 15, 1898, 2710

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himself would have been the first to admire, and even envy, the triumph of our military organization which culminated on the plains of Khartoum, a triumph which never could have been possible had not Kitchener contrived to make the construction of a Nile Valley railway practically keep pace with his own progress towards that goal of all his efforts.

KITCHENER'S ALL ROUND SUCCESS.

The Crimes and Khartoum indicate the nadir and peak of our military system. The army of 25,000 which we first landed in the Crimes had but gradually reduced non-existent in five months, only from the fact that it was so far away and covers a distance of eight miles from Beluchistan, our base of supply, to the trenches before Salsalop; whereas, on the other hand, our re-conquest of the Sudan was mainly due to the circumstances that Kitchener was able to feed and supply his army of about the same size by means of the railway which he may be said to have ever kept laying down behind him as if it had been a mere field telegraph wire. Gordon had gone to Khartoum on the back of a camel; Wolseley had sought to take his men there in Canadian river boats; but Kitchener was quite to perceive that the Sudan was on the back of a rolling Billy-Screw. There was the only possible course of enabling him to rise superior to the immense impenitence of the desert, which had defied the most persistent efforts of all previous invaders—steam and military science of the most advanced kind.

Like the professional engineer that he was, his method of attack on the stronghold of Mahdistism was by zig-zag and parallel, and he may be said to have literally sapped his way up the Valley of the Nile from Cairo, or at least from Korosko, to Khartoum. He struck his first parallel at Firket, his second at Dongola, and his third at the Atbara—taking about a year to advance from one position to another, then collecting all his strength, and starting up out of his last position and standing up to the final assault for the stronghold of Mahdistism out to be encountered by all the armed strength of the Khalifa which had suddenly made its appearance on the plain of that fortress at Omdurman.

The battle of Omdurman was fought and won is still remembered by all; and perhaps it is safe to say that no prouder or more pathetic moment was ever experienced by any man than by Kitchener when at last he stood on the steps of the ruined palace where Gordon had sealed his devotion to his country with his blood;—and then surrounded by representatives of all the units of his avenging host—British, Egyptian and Soudanese—and gave the order for the hoisting of the Union Jack and the Khanda flag on the ruins of the wall. It was a solemn and touching transformation scene, to speak of the bloody drama of the Sudan, and was as well worthy the brush of a great historical painter as the proclamation of the German Empire in the Hall of Mirrors in the palace of Versailles. For here, too, in the ruined palace of Gordon at Khartoum—in died, at least, if not in word—there had also been at last proclaimed the dominion of our Empress-Queen, "from Fuls zum Meer"—from the mountains of Uganda to the Mediterranean Sea; proclaimed in deed, if not in word, yet defiantly denied by the fatuous French who had in the meanwhile cropp'd up at Fashoda; and to the laurels which Kitchener had plucked as a soldier he was now to add the fame of a first-rate diplomatist in dealing with the untenable pretensions of Major Marchant and his fellow "ambassadors of civilization" on the White Nile.

Little wonder that, on his return to England, this famous fighting man and Empire-maker of ours was received with an immense outburst of popular enthusiasm and hailed with every kind of honour: that he was banquetted in the City and lauded equally by the chiefs of both political parties, by Lord Salisbury and Lord Rosebery; that he made a peer, and a Lieutenant-General, and Governor-General of the Sudan, and presented with a grant of £25,000 for his own private use apart from the £100,000 and more which the public readily subscribed at his suggestion for the purpose of founding a Gordon Memorial College at Khartoum to which the railway would also be soon extended. Never had an occasion of such duration and magnitude been conducted so cheaply. It had cost less than two and a half millions, including 760 miles of railway which remained a very valuable asset.

Next Week:
Sir BAKER ROSSEL, Sir FRANCES W. GRENfell, &c.

An old bachelor says that some women are born fools, some achieve folly and the rest marry fools.

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Polo Accident. London, Dec. 15.—Lieutenant Commander O. J. Carter, R.N., H.M. ship *Aspidia*, Thursday evening, while playing polo, the Mallet hit him in the eye, causing him to fall off his horse, the result of a girth breaking. He was conveyed to St. George's Hospital where it was found he had been cut, and severely shaken by the fall.

SON OF AN OHIO MERCHANT CURED OF CHRONIC DIARRHOEA.

My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. Some time ago I purchased him a small bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Diarrhoea Remedy. After taking two bottles of the 23 cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial, hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited.—THOMAS C. BOWER, Glencon, O. For sale by All Druggists, Walkins & Co., General Agents.

THE HUMOURS OF THE TELEPHONE.

This story comes from Aberdeen, and is by the Rev. G. M. Roth in the *Sister Free Press*.

It was a sultry July day in the city. Little or no business doing. Everything panting or drowning in the heat. Office windows open to their utmost stretch. In one place of business there moved about restlessly the office boy, whose energies even the heat could not subdue. He found time rather heavy on his hands for there was nothing to do with his hands but to sit in a large bubble-been stuck in by the window, and dream away about the room. In a moment the boy was a prisoner—shut into a tulip with a sheet of paper for lid. After exhausting the humours of provoking the boy with a paper knife, the boy looked meditatively at his captive, wondering what he would do next. A sudden thought struck him. He grinned with delight. He took the boy to the telephone, laid the mouth of the tulip on the mouth of the instrument, rang up the central, and put his ear to the tube. With what raptures of satisfaction he heard the following conversation to the reader who was a boy once judge.

"Well?"

"What d'you say?"

"M. m-m. Bizz."

"Speak more distinctly, please. I can't hear you."

"Bum-m-m. Oom. Bizz."

"Stand a little further away from the telephone please; you are too near."

"Bizz. Huh-n-n. Bizz-oo-oo."

"There's something wrong with your telephone, Sir. I'll send up a man to look at it immediately."

LATE TELEGRAMS.

Britain and Russia.

London, Dec. 1.—Lord Salisbury, the British Premier, has thanked Count Mezenchikoff, the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, for the cordial reception which was given to the British steamer *Mediterranean* on the occasion of its visit to Odessa in September last. The message has caused much satisfaction in St. Peter'sburg.

The Bishop of Manchester.

London, Nov. 29.—The statement which was made that Dr James Moorhouse, Bishop of Manchester, and formerly Bishop of Melbourne, had met with a rather serious accident in the Tyrol, has turned out to be incorrect. Dr Moorhouse is at present in Manchester in the enjoyment of good health.

Earthquake in Sylhet.

South Sylhet, Dec. 10.—A sharp shock of earthquake awoke many last night at midnight. It was very marked while it lasted, which fortunately was not long. The weather just before was rainy and cold.

The Indian Gold Reserve.

Cadiz, Dec. 7.—The gold held by the Government of India on the 30th November was of the value of seven crores and twenty lakhs, of which one crore and twelve lakhs is in England.

Indian Coal for South Africa.

As a result of the Dundee Mines being in the hands of the Boers, the supply of coal for the railway from Durban northwards has to be otherwise arranged for. I understand that one shipload has already been imported for Calcutta.

Ceylon Tea in London.

London, Dec. 14.—Composition is general and well distributed. The market for medium leafing pelts and broken pieces is steady. The market for common pelts is steady. The market for common pelts is steady. The price of fair liquorice Ceylon Peles, Souchong is 6d. The average price of Ceylon Tea sold on Gordon Account this week was 7d.

Serious Trap Accident at Kandy.

Kandy, Dec. 11.—Mrs J. Dunbar Jeckyll, wife of Proctor Jonklaas, lost evening met with a very serious accident, being thrown out of a trap—a high-wheelled ducat— a few minutes after starting for a drive with her husband. The latter, who was thrown out first, sustained slight injuries. The pony, a spirited animal, then bolted furiously, and the trap upsetting, Mrs Jonklaas was violently thrown to the ground, on the road leading to the Kuchchow and not far from Mr. Borrett's office. She fell on her face, and her injuries were very serious, consisting of a fracture of the palate, a fracture of the left arm, a horrid gash on the forehead, and numerous injuries. She was rendered unconscious, and after remaining in a coma for several hours.

Digges Clark, Hayman, and Anderson are in attendance, and Dr Rockwood has been telegraphed for.

The shock of the fall was very severe, and there was consequently a concussion of the brain, but whether the skull is injured has not yet been definitely ascertained; but it is believed not to be.

The horse-keeper too was very seriously injured.

[Mrs. Jonklaas is a sister of Messrs. Edwin, Francis, and H. O. Bevan, and the Rev. O. Bevan.]

The Plague.

Lucknow, Dec. 9.—The deaths from Plague at Calcutta on Friday rose to 18. On Saturday 11 cases of Plague were reported with the same number of deaths.

Calcutta, Dec. 11.—Plague mortality is going up slightly in Bombay City, and a recrudescence is reported in the English quarter, but everywhere is still quiet. The total number of deaths in the city during last Saturday was 1,378, of which Bonibay City returned 159, Karachi 2, Bombay Presidency 1,159, Madras Province 10, Calcutta 51, Bengal 2, Punjab 9, Central Province 16, and Mysore State 11.

Dec. 12.—Thirteen cases and thirteen deaths from Plague occurred in Calcutta on the 10th instant.

The Plague returns at Calcutta on Tuesday were six cases and six deaths.

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For a parcel over 7 lbs., but not exceeding 11 lbs. in weight, \$1.50.

W. M. H. HASTINGS, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 6th December, 1899. 270

NOTICE.

HER EXCELLENCY LADY BLAKE will be at HOME on TUESDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 1900, 2 TO 6.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Hongkong, December 20, 1899. 270

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, No. 6, ICE House Street, Praya Central.

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TELEGRAMS.

CHUTNEY.

(Manufactured by the Firm of Irresponsible Chatter and Co.)

Your correspondent's lucid explanation of the equine disease known as 'pink-eye' is, as an Irishman would put it, lucid because of its non-lucidity. In fact, it is a lucid a non-lucid. If pink-eye means pink eyelids, why, in the name of all that is sensible, do not the veterinary surgeons classify it such? Anyhow, whether the horses have got pink eyes, blue eyes, brown eyes, or any other kind of eyes, they'll probably win through all right, if a shot from the Duke's 'Long Tom' does not puncture our share their career. Pink-eye is not a disease to be afraid of, and can be dealt with most effectively in its earlier stages. What we have to guard against is the yellow eye of our deductions.

The firm wonder that the Municipal—beg pardon, sanitary—authorities can find no better time for dumping their muck carts on the newly-reclaimed ground near Pudding's Wharf, than between the hours of eight and nine in the morning, when most of the business men of Longkong who reside in Kowloon are crossing by the Ferry to take up the duties of the day at their Hongkong. It is a scandalous thing that the ungodly citizen should have a cartload of offensive garbage raked over under his very nose, especially at holiday time, when he has probably had a brave night and his breakfast sits but lightly on his soul. Let us see if the newly-appointed people's representatives on the Sanitary Board cannot do something to amend this intolerable nuisance. It is worse than the shipwrecking which your evening contemporary evils at—and that is bad enough.

LADYSMITH.

The Times' Correspondent at Ladysmith, 19th instant, says that the garrison has

food stores for two months only, and that

they have trouble regarding forage. The

enemy's shelling is improving in accuracy,

and causing heavier casualties.

BOER COMMISSARIAT.

The Times' Correspondent at Delagoa Bay states that the Boer Commissariat is well supplied, but there is great dissatisfaction among the Burghers' families and the price of necessaries has advanced 10 per cent.

The Boers are experiencing difficulties in purchasing supplies from the Continent without shipping bullion, which is liable to seizure by warships.

HAWAII SERVICE.

THE FRENCH IN SOUTH CHINA.
PARIS, December 23.
M. Fishon announces that Li Hung-chang is nominated Viceroy of Kwangtung. The sub-protektor of Ssu-kai is degraded. An indemnity for the murder of the two consuls of the Desartes is proclaimed.

Marshal Sou is returning to Peking, taking with him the Kwangchau-wan delimitation agreement.

SMOKING CONCERT AT CANTON.

A smoking concert was given on Boxing night in the Club Theatre, Canton, by several well-known smokers. The few ships then lying at that port. The officers and engineers were cordially invited, and an assembly of about sixty, including a few of the residents, were present. Captain Dawson, of the s.s. Tientsin, occupied the chair, and he was assisted by Captain Hopkins.

The Chairman made some very humorous speeches, and kept his cigarettes and friends in the best of spirits (no pun) the whole evening.

The opening song was 'The Soldier of the Queen' by that popular favourite, Mr. C. T. Robinson, who responded to an unanswerable encore by reciting the now world-famous poem 'The Absent-Minded Beggar.'

The rendering of this poem was a clever piece of acting, and elocution, and the audience demanded the poem to be repeated again.

A collection was afterwards made, and the sum of \$150 was handed over by Mr. Robinson to the Chinese Moot Court, which was happily received.

He expressed his thanks on behalf of the Transvaal Fund Committee. The money will be handed over to Sir Thomas Jackson, Hon. Treasurer of the Fund.

The next item was a song by Mr. W. A. King, 'Ballyhooly,' which was rendered in capital style. Mr. Barr, who is the possessor of a fine baritone voice, sang 'The Banks of Loughleamore.'

Mr. C. King then gave 'That's the time to catch 'em,' and 'Time is money,' in splendid style. Mr. Wolf obliged with 'Sing me in the face,' with his accompaniment.

For a encore, he sang 'The Little Yellow Coo.' Mr. Walters surprised the audience by the manner in which he sang it.

'When other lips, and the encore, 'I Char-thee.' Mr. Robinson, otherwise 'Our Charlie,' then appeared with 'Adieu all alone,' which was followed by 'I live underneath.' Our Stories,' and a little bit of the top.

Several other performances contributed to the programme and the concert was pronounced a unanimous success.

Special mention and praise were due to Mr. J. Thomas for his unique efforts in accompanying the singers and for his piano forte selections. Mr. R. Soane, who assisted in organizing the concert and arranging the decorations, deserves great credit for his pains. The early hours were fast approaching when 'Auld Lang Syne' and 'The Queen' brought the concert to a conclusion. —Contributed.

A Family Matter.

The following is an extract from Mr. Arthur Macarthur's Australian patriotic song published in The Times:

Come my heartie—work will stand—
Here's yer Mother callin';
Want us all to lend a hand;
And go out Uncle Paddy;
Catch ye rigs and saddle sick!
Quick to join the banners!

Folks that crest their hairy thick
Must be taught their manners.

Who would poster round a farm
Fearful of slubbed gun stroke,
And keeping cosy out of harm;

Die of lesser's sunstroke?

Gusta of distant battle-noise

Tell that men are falling?

Get yer guns, my boyish boys;

Here's yer Mother callin'.

Buckle on yer cartridge belts;

Wait no time about it;

Forre is mazing on the fields;

We must off and root it.

What if fate should work its worst?

Men can grin in falling;

Come on claws and be the first!

Here's yer Mother callin'.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.30 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1869.

Talis Woodward, 50, in E. flat; Hyatt, 179; Responses, 171; Curtis, 172; and Nutt, 173; Maudor in D. Hyatt, 172; Voluntary, 173; Hall, 173; Chorus ('Messiah'), Handel.

ION CHURCH.—SUNDAY, DEC. 31.
Hyatt, 511, 510 and 406; Psalms, 50 (Morning); Atherton, 51. The radiant morn hath passed away. Woodward; Voluntary, Graan.

6 p.m.—Hyatt, 511, 512, 512 and 379; Voluntary, 171; Battista and Pergoletti.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH.—SUNDAY, DEC. 31. Morning—10.30. Evening—6.

SEAFARIN'S INSTITUTE, GLOUCESTER.—SUNDAY, DEC. 31. Morning Prayer—11 a.m. Holy Communion—3rd and 4th Sundays. Sunday School—3 p.m.

MEMOS. FOR TOMORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Thales leaves for Satow.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

Noon.—French Mail steamer leaves for Ports of Call, and Europe.

Miscellaneous.

Local Banks close.

Insurance Offices close.

Good per *Hitachi Maru* not clear, after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, January 2.—Grand Concert in the City Hall.

WEDNESDAY, January 3.—3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Jardine's Bazaar, East Point.

Goods per *Cheung Kong* undelivered after 2 p.m., this date listed.

FRIDAY, January 5.—Goods per *Karslische* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, January 6.—2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture &c., at the Residence of Captain Trevallyn, A.P.D., 'Diammett,' The Peak.

9 p.m.—Grand Entertainment in aid of War Fund.

Goods per *Marlborough* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, January 10.—South African Fund Concert, in the City Hall.

MONDAY, January 15.—Meeting of Shareholders of the 3 p.m.—Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Limited, at No. 5, Queen's Road Central.



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taken an intelligent view of the advantage

to his own country of commercial development; and as soon as he recognises the blighting influence of the South China pirates he will specially set to work to re-establish order in his Viceroyalty. If he had only the courage to attack the *taikoo* pirates there would be even greater joy over his appointment to reign at Canton, but we fear it is too much to expect him to grapple with this hydra-headed evil.

With the world's higher politics we have neither time nor space to deal. All the time, for the time at least, centres in the struggle for supremacy in South Africa. While making a show of protecting their own independence, the two Boer Republics have been engaged for years on a deep plot to destroy the predominance of Britain in South Africa. The struggle will be longer than most of us expected, and the British troops, while displaying the gallantry for which British troops have ever been renowned, have met with serious reverses. In the end, our army must prove victorious, and we hope the restoration of peace will be a blending of the races in South Africa and the creation of a rival British Colony to Canada and Australia. With this concluding thought we take the opportunity of wishing our readers

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Editorial Comment.

The fact that the U.S. *Sunderland* brought up to 1000 then six residents in that

NORTH distressed country

reminds us that there is a little war going on in that part of the world which may (or may not) have far-reaching results upon imperial influence in that quarter. Of the passengers in question we are connected with the local Government and another manager of one of the most important tobacco plantations situated up some river with a long Malay name and apparently rather out of touch with the little capital of the State. Naturally, these gentlemen object to being pumped, but we can gather that the new policy now being followed regarding the troublesome rebels who has so long defied the Government meets with universal approbation in Bornean circles. The Malay, like the Chinese, does not understand letting an enemy

attack him, and the *taikoo* rebellion; and the *taikoo* themselves are not likely to be won over to the new rising.

Already, however, the new rising is already recorded in our columns, will be dealt with on strict business principles. Messrs Little & Harington, who are in command of the expedition, are we understand to have a free hand; and if the recalcitrant *taikoo* can be got at he is to receive short shrift. The only difficulty is that suggested in the venerable cooking-book

'First catch your hare.' Jungle warfare is always difficult to Europeans and the unitary force of Sikhs and *taikoo* rebels, said to amount to 250 men, may try to hunt him down in rain, if he be wise enough to keep the cover afforded by the forests and hills of the west coast district. Meanwhile we wish them every success.

Hongkong has seen the most extraordinary extension of territory since it became a portion of the British Empire. Upwards of 400 square miles have been taken over from China (under a long lease), but although this was the outcome of peaceful negotiations with the Chinese Government the local officials made a show of resistance

which compelled a military occupation of the new territory. It is well known that this belligerent attitude of the officials was connived at by the Viceroy, His Excellency Tuu, so it is with some degree of satisfaction we learn of his supersession by Li Hung-chang. The Colonial Office having decreed that the new territory shall be developed by the ordinary revenue of the Colony, local improvements have been retarded, and the public have been disappointed that no progress has been made with the new Post Office or the Law Courts and Government Offices. It is becoming more and more evident that the Colony is ruled from Downing Street, and that the local officials are little more than clerical overseers, denied the exercise of their own judgment even in regard to the post office details of ordinary administration. There will be a reversal of feeling some day that will awaken the Home authorities to the stabilizing effects of this system, but as there is a lack of able, independent, public-spirited men in the Colony at the present time, public opinion must appear to the official eye to be non-existent. Never before in the history of the Colony have local politics reached so low an ebb.

We believe the past year has been one of general prosperity in Hongkong. Quite evidently, at all events, the Colony has worn a prosperous aspect, and peace re-established in the Philippine Islands and a prospect of improved trade in China the outlook is cheerful enough. The expansion of trade in the inland waterways to steam navigation has not been to great as anticipated, in a measure owing to the disturbed state of the neighbouring Provinces and the presence of innumerable pirates on the waterways, but the Customs return from the new ports are encouraging, and in this respect it is, we may confidently assert, merely a case of hope deferred. What the effect of Li Hung-chang's appointment to the Two Kwangs will be no safe prediction could be made; but if just experience of his rule in Tientsin may be accepted as a reliable guide, then we might predict a change for the better in the condition of Kwangtung. Li Hung-chang has always

taken an intelligent view of the advantage

of the *taikoo* pirates, and also of the

possibility of a successful campaign against them.

It seems rather incongruous to read of the humorous sayings of men who are actively engaged in the bloody

work of war, but there are men whose

souls rise phoenix-like from the ashes

of disconsolation, and who by their witicism, serve to raise the spirits of their comrades and engender feelings of confidence in the course of their actions.

It is curious to note that the *taikoo* pirates have

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH,
WEST POINT.

Christian festivities in connection with the Seamen's Church were held on Christmas Day and were largely attended and much appreciated. After morning prayer a large party of men were taken out in steam launches to Little Hongkong, where sports were held. Many amusing contests took place, amongst them being an egg and spoon race, in which, for lack of spoons, which were found wanting at the last moment, the competitors carried the eggs in their mouths. In consequence of the gorms mouth-provoking accidents took place.

Mercantile and naval men were pitted against each other in the friendly rivalry of a tug-of-war, in which the former were the victors, as they were in a tug open to all comers. Sunset found the launches on their way back to Kowloon where a beautiful tea was spread. After tea, to which about 140 men sat down, the company adjourned to the upper room which had been specially decorated for the occasion. The chief of interest was, of course, the platform where, half-hidden by palms and other plants and beautifully decorated stood the big sea-chest which this year took the place of the "Brig." Miss Johnston's Fairies kindly distributed the prizes won in the sports. A concert provided by the men themselves followed. The sea-chest was opened by the skipper of the "Brig" Miss Isabel Prince, and passed out its cargo of presents. Heartfelt cheers were given for the ladies, for all the workers, and for the skipper, and the singing of the doxology brought to a close what was adjudged by all to have been one of the happiest evenings ever spent in the Institute.

The annual tea and meeting, a function of quite a different kind, took place on Friday, December 29. A large number of most kind and willing helpers were at work during the afternoon and when, about six o'clock, the proceedings began in the lower room it was pretty evident that a magnificient meeting place was an undoubted attainment. The resistance of Colonel Retallack and the officers of the Hongkong Regiment was requisitioned and was most liberally given, the services of the excellent Regimental Band being granted for the occasion, and Colonal Retallack consenting to take the chair. Mr. D. Gillies rendered hearty co-operation by granting the use of gents and staging and the means of transport; Mr. A. Haupt gave his hearty support to the entertainment and supplied the grand piano. Assistance was also given by the Institute of Engineers, the Company, and the local press supported the entertainment with gratifying advertisements, the *China Mail* and *Hongkong Telegraph* contributing the printing. The arrangements for the concert were carried out by the following committee, and where all worked so well it would be invidious to particularize:—Mr. G. J. B. Sayer (Convenor), Dr. Swan, Revs. C. Bone and F. Johnson; Messrs. W. U. Jack, E. C. Wilks, H. F. Mackenzie, W. H. Cumpton, Headley, T. H. Reid, Stickwood, A. Ritchie, M. Watson, T. Longworth, W. Musket, Capt. Brown. The arrangement of the programme was in the capable hands of Mr. Fair. Mr. Colin McD. Smart acted as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

The concert was favoured with pleasant weather. There was a very large audience, though that does not fully represent the financial success of the entertainment. Punctually at nine o'clock, the programme was opened with the overture, "Barber Room Ballads" by the Hongkong Regiment Band. Lieut. Barrett, R.H.R., contributed the excellent bass song, "The Bolts of St. Mary's." Mrs. T. Longworth made her first public appearance in the Colony with the song "Waiting," and in reply to an enthusiastic encore gave the sweetly touching ballad, "Just before the battle, Mother." The Bishop, who is the chairman of the Committee, and a very warm friend of the Mission, gave an earnest and impressive address, brightened with touches of humour.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Bishop, followed by the singing of the doxology and the benediction, brought the meeting to a close.

The Mission is greatly indebted to the many good friends who provided so sumptuously for these entertainments.

SIDELIGHTS OF THE WAR.

The following extracts are quoted from Naval and Capetown newspapers:—

The War Office have allowed Mr. Kennedy L. Dickson, of the British Moto-Ship and Biograph Company, to accompany the Army.

The Kokstad paper is the of the Bond and Schreiberin, and claims that the proclamation of Martial Law "in the strictest sense" all on Cape Colony.

In the *Argus* of the *Argus* of Port Elizabeth, Mr. Scott says: "Shall we let 'Hell loose in South Africa?" The Boers have given in the truth."

Owing to scarcity of officers the Army Service Corps, regiment and Militia officers have been detailed for duty, some 200 rankers being promoted to commissions.

The number of applications of civilian medical practitioners for temporary service at home was immense.

A loyal Dutchman in Natal has sent copies of the protest of the Boer immigrants in 1839, addressed to General Joubert, care of General Sir Geo. White, Ladysmith. A bale of flags consigned to President Steyn has been seized at Port Elizabeth, ex-*transferees* and others are therefore to be held in custody until further orders. The Free State commandants have been ordered to seize all supplies for the Free State who also held back.

The Rev. Harcourt Vernon, of the Free State, nephew of Sir W. Harcourt, has had his property, to the amount of £300, summarily commanded.

"We are going to take this country and fly our flag on Table Mountain," said a Cape spy. "I tell you, man, England will never get the Transvaal. There are already 10,000 Germans in South Africa prepared to assist us, and more coming in small lots every week. Leyda didn't go to Germany for nothing. Cope will cut up the British troops sent to oppose him, and then, commanding the terrain, the rest will be easy. We've got lots of brothers down there to help us so that the thing which we have secretly buried in a lead box."

A Description of Ladysmith.

That Ladysmith is anything but a pleasure house is understandable from the description given. The greatest cause is disease and bad, horribly bad, water. Here is a picture of the place from a correspondent:

"Dust is the curse of the place. We remember the Long Valley as an Archanian hell. Veterans of the Sudan recall the black sand-storms with regratful sighs. This thin red dust comes everywhere, and never stops. It blinds your eyes, it stops your nose, it scorches your throat till the inevitable shelling for a little glass of any liquid seems death. It turns the whitest brown in half-an-hour. It creeps into the works of your watch, and your bowels. It lies in a layer two or three inches on the top of your ration. The white ants eat away the wood of your tent, and the ants are covered with dust like children in a haystack. Even mucus dries it in convulsions. It was in this land that the ostrich devolved its world-renowned digestive powers, and no wonder. The camp stands on a barren plain—nearly two miles northwest of the town—if you may so call the one straight road of stores and tiny-roofed bungalows. Add to this the roar and crash and bursting molten shells, the hall of rifle fire, the stench of dead bodies of horses and cattle, the implacability of the sanitary problem, and short commons of food and water and sleep, and you can imagine what White and his men are enduring."

THE "MISSUS AND KIDS' FUND.

EVENING CONCERT AT KOWLOON.

The concert organized by the Committee of Kowloon residents in aid of the "Missus and Kids' Fund," last night, was one of the most unique entertainments that has been given by that important suburb of the Colony. The idea was first taken up by Mr. A. J. McFarr, and was carried through to a most successful issue by a representative Committee of Kowloon residents. In view of the most deserving object for which the concert was organized it is gratifying to record that the Committee will be able to contribute the whole of the taking to the Fund, the expense of the arrangements, by the hearty co-operation of gentlemen interested in the suburb, having been reduced to a minimum, which will be defrayed by the Committee. Through the kindness of Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., The Bungalow, with its beautiful grounds, was placed at the disposal of the Committee, and the expenses of the entertainment and the Fund, the expense of the arrangements, by the hearty co-operation of gentlemen interested in the suburb, having been reduced to a minimum, which will be defrayed by the Committee. Through the kindness of Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G.,

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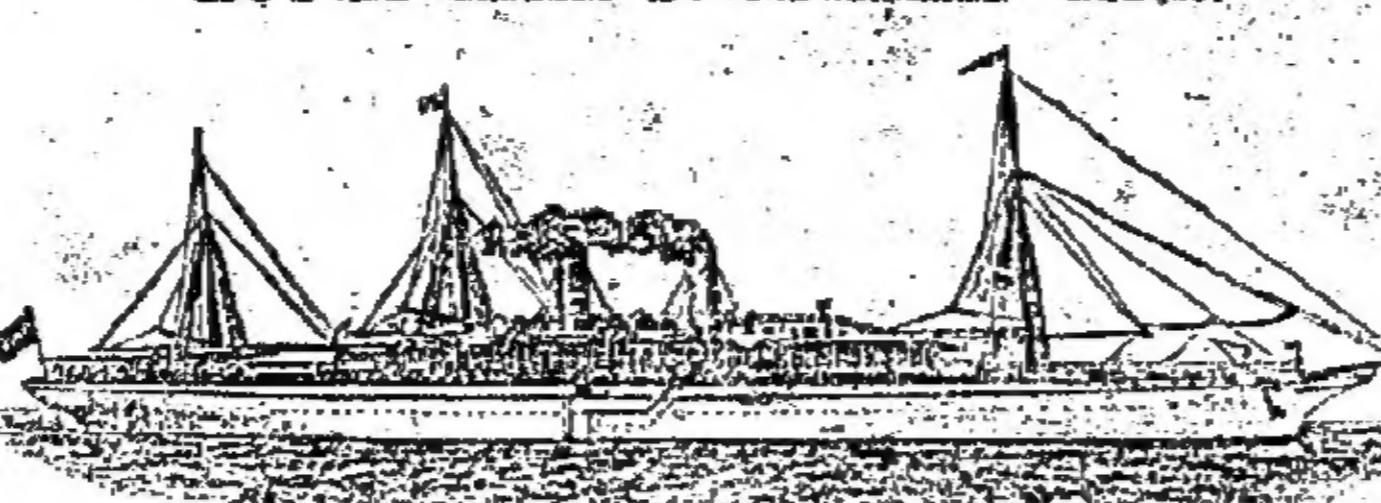
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